# Sustainable Communities Planning Grants and Incentives Program (SCPGIP) Best Practices Pilot: Award Recommendations

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## Purpose

Grants for local and regional planning agencies to support development and/or implementation of a specific portion of a land use plan, land protection or management practice, or development project, targeting sustainable development and the State's climate policies with the express intent to:

- Implement that project or plan;
- Identify a best practice and create a replicable case study; and
- Formalize OPR ad-hoc technical guidance and assistance efforts.



#### **OPR Technical Guidance & Assistance**

- Provides formalized process for OPR's work with local partners on replicable best practices;
- Provides resources and technical guidance to local jurisdictions;
- Results in a series of replicable case studies;
- Informs State policy initiatives;
- Recognizes local leaders spearheading best practices around the state.



# **Funding and Eligibility**

- Up to \$50,000 for the development and/or implementation of a specific portion of a project or plan that highlights a best practice.
- \$250,000 in Proposition 84 funds were available for this solicitation
- Eligible Applicants
  - Cities
  - Counties
  - Regional Transportation Planning Agencies
  - Joint Powers Authorities
  - Councils of Governments



# **Disadvantaged Community Focus**

- Per approved guidelines
  - Priority consideration will be given to those jurisdictions that meet the Proposition 84 definition of a disadvantaged community.
  - At least 75% of funds must go to a community that has one or more census tracts within the top 25% of CalEnviroScreen 2.0 Disadvantaged Community status.
  - Up to 25% of funds may go to a community that is suffering from drought impacts or lacks access to safe drinking water.



# **Applicants**

- 14 applications received
  - 11 applicants qualified as a disadvantaged community applicant per CalEnviroScreen 2.0
  - 3 applicants qualified as a disadvantaged community applicant per the Proposition 84 median household income (MHI) definition
- Geographic Distribution:

Region	Applications	Percent of total	Awardees	Percent of total
Sacramento Region	1	8%	0	0%
Bay Area	5	38%	2	33%
Central Valley	2	15%	2	33%
Central Coast	1	8%	1	17%
Los Angeles Region	4	31%	1	17%



# **Applications Received**

Applicant	Cal Env 2.0 DAC	Prop 84 DAC	Request
City of Arvin	Yes	Yes	\$50,000
County of Los Angeles	Yes	Yes	\$42,000
City of San Jose	Yes	No	\$50,000
County of Merced	Yes	Yes	\$50,000
County of Contra Costa	Yes	No	\$50,000
County of San Luis Obispo	No	No	\$13,500
City/County of San Francisco	Yes	No	\$50,000
Sacramento Area COG	Yes	No	\$50,000
City of Santa Ana	Yes	No	\$50,000
City of Emeryville	Yes	No	\$10,000
Gateway Cities COG	Yes	No	\$29,000
Sonoma County RCPA	No	No	\$49,736
South Bay Cities COG	Yes	No	\$50,000
Total:		\$544,236	



#### **Review Process**

- Diverse review committee with staff from:
  - California Air Resources Board, Natural Resources Agency, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Transportation, Department of Conservation, Department of Public Health, Office of Planning and Research, and Strategic Growth Council.
- Consensus based process



## **Recommended Awards**

Applicant	Proposal	Recommended Award
City of Arvin	General Plan Water Element	\$49,000
County of Los Angeles	Green Zones Program: Environmental Justice Ground Truthing in East Los Angeles & Florence-Firestone	\$41,000
City of San Jose	Bike Plan Outreach Strategy	\$49,000
County of Merced	Integration of Greenhouse Gas Inventory	\$49,000
County of Contra Costa	Renewable Resource Potential Study	\$49,000
County of San Luis Obispo	Oceano Eco-District Project	\$13,000



### **Staff Recommendation:**

Approve staff recommendation awarding \$250,000 in Proposition 84 funding for the SCPGIP Best Practices Pilot to six projects.



# Thank you!

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